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Filed: January 23, 2001
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WITH ONE OR MORE BIOLOGICAL TARGETS AND METHODS FOR
MAKING AND USING THE ARRAYS
Examiner: Maurie Garcia. Baker, Ph.D.
Group: 1639
Docket No. 17281/00002

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, DC 20231

RESPONSE

Introductory Remarks

This is a Response to the Office Action dated July 25, 2003 in the subject application.

The Applicant appreciates the Examiner's examination of the application and requests consideration and allowance based on the following amendments and remarks.



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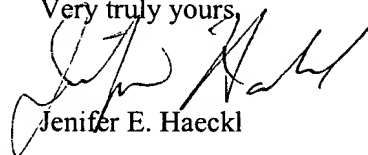
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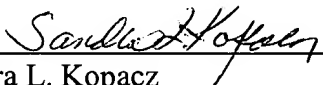
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